

REMARKS

In response to the Office Action dated December 27, 2006, claim 3 has been amended as suggested by the Examiner, to remove the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112. Since that was the only rejection of record, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, withdrawn claims 1, 2, 4 and 6-14 are being canceled.

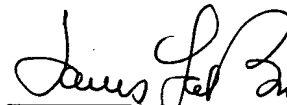
It is respectfully submitted that the amendment to claim 3 does not raise any new issues that require further consideration or search. Specifically, the amended claim language was previously considered, and in fact proffered, by the Examiner to overcome the rejection. Furthermore, by removing the sole rejection of record, the amendment places the application in condition for allowance. Accordingly, entry of the amendment is submitted to be proper.

Respectfully submitted,

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